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(C) We do not see Rwanda as willing or capable of contributing to the Iraq Coalition. Rwanda is focused on its national reconstruction, on regional security issues, and on the legacy of the 1994 genocide. Rwanda is a major contributor to the AMIS peacekeeping force in Darfur, and is considering troop/police training contributions to Somalia. The AMIS deployment has been a difficult one for Rwanda, given mismanagement and lack of support from the AU for the AMIS mission, and non-payment of the GOR's deployment costs, the AU now approximately 20 million USD in arrears. This financial burden has proved so difficult that the IMF has warned the GOR that its Poverty Reduction and Growth Facility program is in serious jeopardy (septel).